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PSC celebrates 75th anniversary ***Former commissioners and staff welcome***

FRANKFORT, Ky. (Oct. 14, 2009) – Thirteen former commissioners and many former staff members were among the 150 or so guests at today's 75th anniversary celebration at the Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC).

"In the PSC's 75 years, only 66 people have served as commissioners," PSC Chairman David Armstrong said in remarks delivered at the celebration. "Nearly a quarter of them are with us here today."

In addition to a brief program, the celebration included a reception and tours of the PSC facilities.

Many of the former commissioners and staff have agreed to participate in an oral history project being conducted in connection with the anniversary. Their interviews will be archived at the PSC and at the Thomas D. Clark Center for Kentucky History in Frankfort, where they will be available to historians and other researchers.

Established in 1934 by the Kentucky General Assembly, the PSC has seen its responsibilities change over time in response to changing technology and changes in both state and federal legislation, Armstrong said.

"But the PSC's central goal has remained unchanged – safe and reliable utility service at fair, just and reasonable rates for all Kentuckians," he said.

The PSC is an independent agency attached for administrative purposes to the Energy and Environment Cabinet. It regulates more than 1,500 gas, water, sewer, electric and telecommunication utilities operating in Kentucky and has approximately 100 employees.